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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 21-0409 **Prime Sponsors:**

Rep. Bockenfeld; Bacon

Sen. Fields; Lundeen

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Bill Status: Signed into Law

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Bill Topic: MILITARY FAMILY OPEN ENROLLMENT IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Summary of **Fiscal Impact:** No fiscal impact. The bill makes accommodations for inbound active military families

to open enroll in public schools.

Appropriation Summary:

No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status:

The fiscal note reflects the enacted bill.

Summary of Legislation

The bill permits an inbound active duty military member to use the school liaison office address for the military installation where the member will be assigned to apply for open enrollment in a public school. If an active member is certified mission essential and must live on a military installation, school districts or charter schools must enroll the member's child with a guaranteed enrollment slot of the member's choice. Once the child of an inbound active member is open enrolled, schools must guarantee enrollment while the child remains at the school, and give preference for younger siblings enrolling in subsequent school years.

Assessment of No Fiscal Impact

While the bill may modify school enrollment policies, the bill is not expected to impact overall enrollment, revenue, or expenditures for school districts, charter schools, or other local education providers. Thus, it is assessed as having no fiscal impact.

Effective Date

The bill was signed into law by the Governor on May 28, 2021, and takes effect September 7, 2021, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

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